

# Clean Water State Revolving Fund and the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009







# American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009

- Signed 2/17/09
- \$43 million to LDEQ CWSRF
  - 20% Green Reserve
  - 4% administrative set-aside waived
- All funded projects must be under contract or construction by 2/17/10



#### **Outreach**

- Mayors
- Parish/Police Jury presidents
- State representatives
- State senators
- Consulting engineers
- Louisiana Municipal Association
- Louisiana Police Jury Association



#### **Project Applications**

 Received 250+ applications from municipalities statewide

Totaling over \$1.8 billion in projects

Over \$1 billion in shovel-ready projects



#### **Selection Criteria**

- Derived directly from ARRA provisions, Congressional and EPA Guidance
  - Ready to proceed
  - Regional coverage statewide
  - Imminent threats to human health or the environment
  - Financial constraints
  - Economic recovery
  - LA median household income based on 2000 Census is \$32,566
  - All selected projects are below this threshold



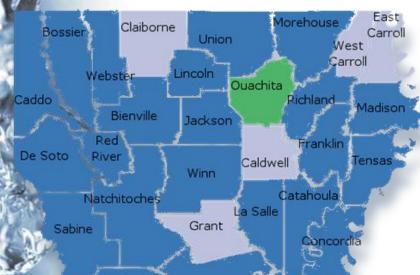
#### **Project Funding**

55 Projects Selected

- 48 Sewer projects selected
  - Amounts ranging from \$46,215
     to approximately \$1.52 million
- 7 Green projects selected
  - Amounts ranging from \$110,777 to \$4.75 million
    - Water meters
    - Wastewater recycling &
    - Reforestation



#### Clean Water State Revolving Fund



### Traditional Projects Green Projects





## Where Do We Go From Here?

- IUP submitted to EPA and on public review as of 6/3/09
- Categorical Exclusion documentation and Business Cases due by 6/12/09
- Plans & Specifications and full Applications due by 8/1/09
- Begin to close loans on 11/1/09 and proceed to construction



#### Why Are We Doing This?

- "To provide service to the people of Louisiana through comprehensive environmental protection in order to promote and protect health, safety and welfare while considering sound policies regarding employment and economic development."
- By reinvesting in wastewater infrastructure we are:
  - Protecting the environment
  - Supporting economic development
- Make folks happy...





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